

C H A P. XXXI.

An ACT to abrogate and abolish the forty-fifth article of the form of government.

**W**HEREAS, by the forty-fifth article of the form of government, it is declared, that no field officer of the militia shall be eligible as a senator, delegate, or member of the council, which is wrong in principle and inconvenient in practice: Preamble.

II. Be it therefore enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the said forty-fifth article of the form of government be and hereby is abrogated, abolished, and made void. Forty-fifth article abrogated, &c.

III. This act to be in force, if confirmed by the general assembly in the first session after the next election of delegates. Act to be in force if confirmed, &c.

C H A P. XXXII.

An ACT to alter part of the fifty-fifth article of the form of government.

**B**E it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the oath of allegiance, directed by the fifty-fifth article of the constitution and form of government, be abrogated and abolished, and every person appointed to any office of profit or trust shall, before he enters on the execution thereof, take the oath prescribed by the act to punish certain crimes and misdemeanors, and to prevent the growth of toryism. Part of the 55th article abrogated, &c.

II. This act to be in force, if confirmed by the general assembly in the first session after the next election of delegates. Act to be in force if confirmed, &c.

C H A P. XXXIII.

An ACT to secure the certain redemption of the bills of credit emitted by this state, and for which confiscated British property was pledged.

**B**E it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the commissioners appointed to preserve confiscated British property, be authorized and directed to sell the iron furnace commonly called the White Marsh furnace, and the forges commonly called the Long Caln forge, in Baltimore county, late belonging to James Russell and company, and all the lands and stock, real, personal, and mixed, belonging to them in company or partnership, within this state, in the manner and on the terms following, to wit: The said commissioners may sell at auction any lands, entire or in parcels, negroes (in families, not separating husbands from their wives, or parents from their children) and stock, not necessary or proper for the carrying on the said furnace or forge, and which may be sold without injury to the sale thereof, as herein after directed, on the premises, or at Baltimore-town, after four weeks notice of the sale in the Annapolis and Baltimore news-papers, and by handbills sent to the several counties of the state;